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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 66  
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A RESOLUTION to urge the Tennessee State Veterans' Homes  
Board to select a site for a new veterans' home.

WHEREAS, throughout our country's existence, the members of the United States armed forces have unselfishly paid the price of freedom for their friends, their families and for all of us; and the Volunteer State is especially proud to have so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the unique needs of Tennessee's veterans, this legislative body enacted Public Chapter 899 in 1988, establishing Tennessee State Veterans' Homes to provide care and support for honorably discharged veterans in their golden years; and

WHEREAS, since the enactment of Public Chapter 899, two such veterans' homes have been opened and are operational, one in Humboldt and the other in Murfreesboro; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Federal Regulations, 38 CFR Parts 17.190 through 17.122, recognizes Tennessee as needing 1,325 beds to provide adequate nursing home care for eligible veterans; and

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WHEREAS, currently the construction of a third veterans home is being discussed, with start-up costs to be shared by the state and federal governments respectively; and

WHEREAS, this legislative body heartily concurs in such action, to recognize all those sons and daughters of Tennessee who served in the armed forces in order that we might enjoy the many bounties of democracy and the American way of life; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby urge the Tennessee State Veterans' Homes Board to proceed as expeditiously as possible to select a site for a third veterans' home.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to each member of the Tennessee State Veterans' Homes Board.